

## Message Text

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ACTION NODS-00

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /001 W  
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R 291025Z MAR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY CAPE TOWN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7018

S E C R E T CAPE TOWN 610

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1,2  
TAGS: PDIP, US, SF, RH, WA  
SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL LETTER TO VORSTER

REF: STATE 080347

PRIME MINISTER VORSTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER BOTHA WERE  
BOTH IN CABINET MEETING AND NOT AVAILABLE. IN THE  
INTEREST OF GETTING THE LETTER TO VORSTER BEFORE  
CABINET GOT TOO DEEPLY INTO NAMIBIA QUESTION, I ASKED  
BOTHA'S PRIVATE SECRETARY TO HAND-CARRY LETTER TO  
CABINET SESSION, WHICH HE DID AT 1030A.M.  
BOWDLER

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## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 jan 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** DIPLOMATIC COMMUNICATIONS, CAT-B  
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**Decaption Date:** 01 jan 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
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**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 20 Mar 2014  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
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**Document Source:** CORE  
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**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** DC IS ALSO X2  
**Executive Order:** X1  
**Errors:** N/A  
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**TAGS:** PDIP, PPDC, RH, US, SF, WA, (VORSTER, BALTHAZAR JOHANNES), (CARTER, JIMMY)  
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